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U.S. Patent 3,214,142, E.L. Brown et al., discloses a highway barrier structure with bolt-on reflector.

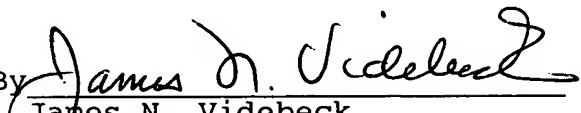
U.S. Patent 4,249,832, Schmanski, discloses a highway median deliniator.

U.S. Patent 5,678,950, Junker, discloses a reflector for use on movable concrete lane dividers.

U.S. Patent 5,950,992, Weid, discloses a guardrail felfector assembly.

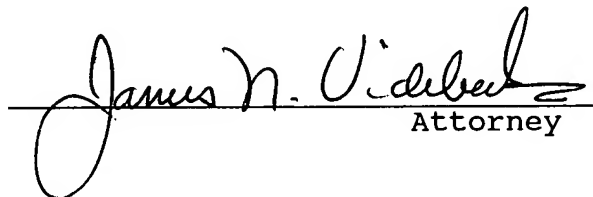
U.S. Patent 4,000,882, Penton, discloses a contrasting marker panel for guardrails with a foam insert having reflective material thereon.

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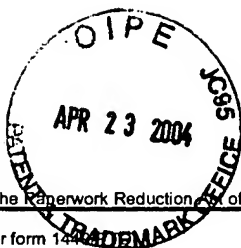
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